

In The Claims:

1. (currently amended): A container having a nominal volume of 100 mL to 12 L prepared by injection molding of ethylene copolymer resin, said container having a Vicat softening point of greater than 121°C and an average test drop height point value, of greater than 2.5 feet, as determined by ASTM D5276, of greater than 2.5 feet, wherein said ethylene copolymer resin is characterized by:

- i) a density from 0.950 g/cc to 0.955 g/cc;
- ii) a viscosity at 100,000 sec¹ shear rate and 280°C or less than 3.5 Pascal seconds;
- iii) weight average molecular weight/number average molecular weight, a molecular weight distribution, weight average molecular weight/number average molecular weight, [Mw/Mn] of from 2.2 to 2.8; and
- iv) a hexane extractables content of less than 0.5 weight%.

2. (original) The container of claim 1 which is further characterized by having a total impact energy required for wall failure of greater than 3.0 foot-pounds at 23°C.

3. (original) The container of claim 1 which is further characterized by having a total impact energy required for base failure of greater than 0.20 foot-pounds at -20°C as determined by ASTM D3763.